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**MANCHESTER MAN PLEADS
GUILTY TO COCAINE DISTRIBUTION**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – United States Attorney Tom Colantuono announced that Tony O. Rosas, age 24, of Manchester, New Hampshire plead guilty today in U.S. District Court in connection with the distribution of crack cocaine in Manchester, New Hampshire in January 2002. Rosas admitted his guilt to a three count indictment during a hearing before U. S. District Judge Paul J. Barbadoro. He was detained pending a sentencing hearing which is scheduled for December 15, 2003.

United States Attorney Colantuono stated, “Crimes such as drug trafficking impact communities and place costs on society. One of the highest priorities of the United States Attorney’s Office is to continue to seek ways to prevent and reduce crime through the aggressive prosecution of these cases. This case is just one example of our continued dedication to that mission.”

The successful prosecution of this case resulted from the efforts of the Manchester Police Department, and the U.S. Marshal’s Service. This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert J. Veiga.